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SUBJECT: VISIT TO LEBANON OF UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE TABOR

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES CONFIRMATION OF VISIT TO LEBANON BY UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE TABOR. INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT ANNOUNCING THAT THE UNDER SECRETARY WILL BE THE GUEST SPEAKER AT A LUNCHEON SPONSORED BY THE PROPELLER CLUB ON FEBRUARY 13, AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TITLE HE WISHES GIVEN TO ADDRESS.

2. REGARDING OTHER SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, THE AMBASSADOR IS PLEASED TO HOST A RECEPTION FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY AT HIS RESIDENCE ON THE EVENING OF FEBRUARY 13 ATTENDED BY PROMINENT LEBANESE AND A LARGE REPRESENTATIVE SECTION OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING IF MR. TABOR WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SAYING A FEW INFORMAL WORDS AT THIS RECEPTION.

3. ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR CALL ON MINISTER OF NATIONAL ECONOMY (THIS MINISTRY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL COMMERCE) AND PRESIDENT KIRKWOOD OF AUB. VISITS WILL BE PRECEDED BY CALL ON THE AMBASSADOR.

4. SUGGEST CALLS ON DEPUTY SPEAKER ABU-FADEL AND BANK EXECUTIVES BE DROPPED IN FAVOR OF CALL ON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (ABU-FADEL AND BANK EXECUTIVES UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL BE INCLUDED IN AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION).

5. ALTHOUGH ABOVE CONSTITUTES FAIRLY TIGHT SCHEDULE,
TIME COULD BE MADE TO ORGANIZE PRESS CONFERENCE, WHICH
WOULD SEEM ADVISABLE IN ORDER TO DERIVE MAXIMUM COVER-
AGE OF TRIP. PLEASE ADVISE.

6. THREE SUITES AND THREE REPEAT THREE SINGLES RESERVED
AT PHOENICIA. PLEASE ADVISE IF NUMBER OF SINGLES
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